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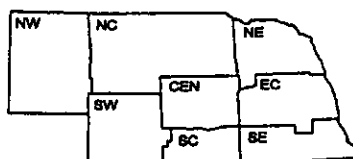
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WEATHER

Temperatures averaged near normals west and from three to nine degrees above normals in the central and eastern portions of the State. Precipitation was recorded over most of the State and ranged from less than one quarter of an inch to nearly two inches.

GENERAL

Moisture received this past week continued to help recharge some subsoil profiles but further slowed harvest progress, according to the Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service. Other producer activities included marketing grain, and livestock care.

CROPS

Corn harvest was 95% complete, compared to 92% last year and 80% average. Harvest progress was slowed across the State due to rainfall and damp conditions.

CROPS Cont.

Soybean harvest was virtually complete at 99% combined. This compared with 100% last year and 97% average.

Sorghum was 98% harvested, compared to 91% last year and 85% average.

Wheat emergence at 99% was the same as last year. The five-year average indicates complete emergence by this time. The rainfall of the last couple weeks has come at a critical time and should boost stands and the ability to overwinter. Wheat condition rated 5% poor, 40% fair, 50% good, and 5% excellent.

LIVESTOCK, PASTURE & RANGE

Pasture and range condition rated 51% very poor, 29% poor, 14% fair, and 6% good. Producers were moving cattle to harvested stalk fields as soon as combining was complete. Moisture received last week should help cool season grasses as well as next year's growth for all grasses.

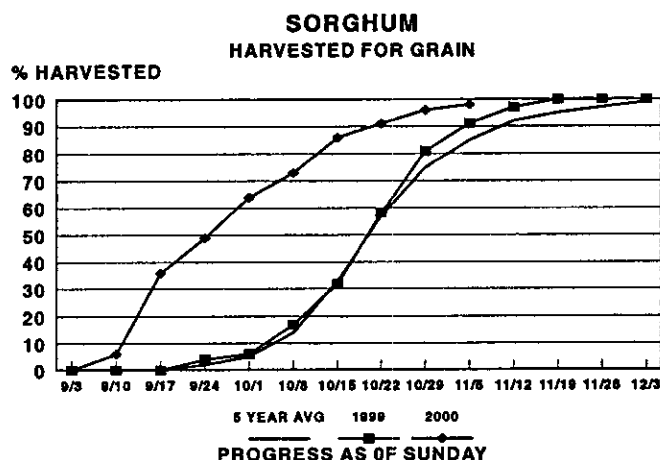
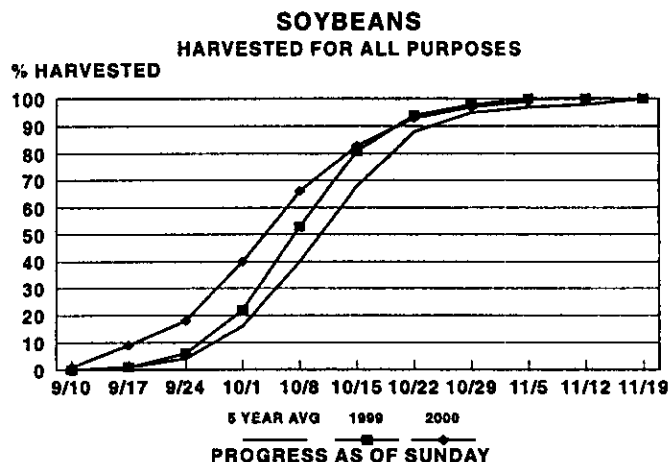
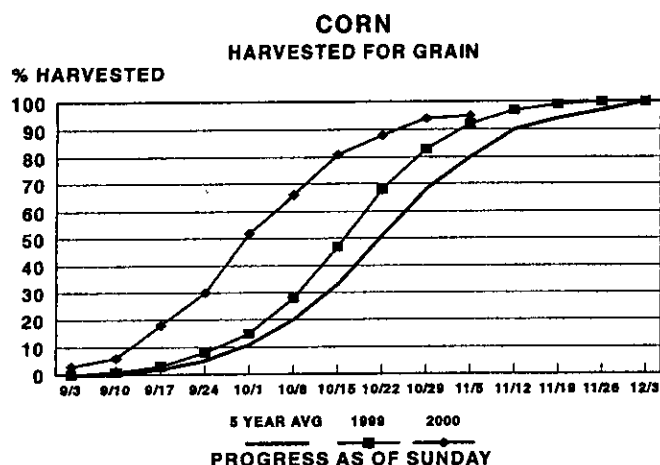
FIELD WORK PROGRESS AS OF NOVEMBER 5, 2000	AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS DISTRICTS								STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	AVER- AGE
	NW	NC	NE	C	EC	SW	SC	SE				
	PERCENT											
% Corn Harvested	68	95	97	99	99	89	98	99	95	94	92	80
% Soybeans Harvested	n/a	99	99	100	99	92	99	99	99	97	100	97
% Sorghum Harvested	n/a	100	100	100	100	90	96	99	98	96	91	85
% Wheat Emerged	99	99	99	96	97	99	99	98	99	96	99	100
DAYS SUITABLE AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION AS OF NOVEMBER 3, 2000												
Days Suitable	3.1	3.0	4.4	3.5	3.4	4.1	3.3	3.9	3.6	4.4	7.0	
Topsoil Moisture												
- Very short	9	17	15	24	17	0	9	25	16	33	42	
- Short	28	28	25	42	42	4	39	58	32	34	43	
- Adequate	62	54	30	34	41	91	52	17	47	31	15	
- Surplus	1	1	30	0	0	5	0	0	5	2	0	
Subsoil Moisture												
- Very Short	26	25	43	54	85	27	73	91	53	68	31	
- Short	42	54	25	34	13	59	25	9	32	22	36	
- Adequate	32	21	24	12	2	14	2	0	14	10	33	
- Surplus	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	

n/a = not available.

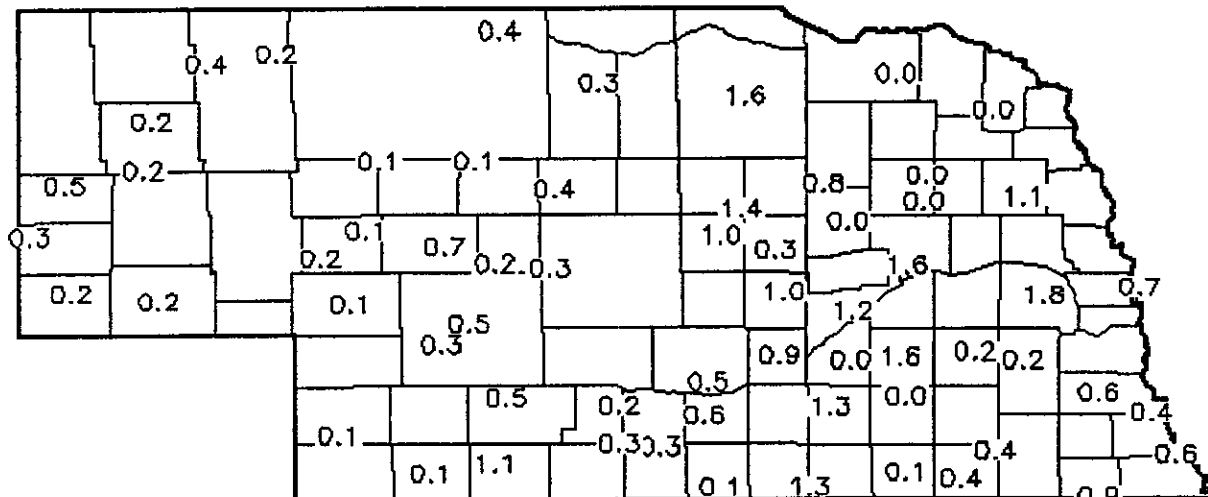
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PRECIPITATION IN INCHES FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 5, 2000



Source: High Plains Climate Center

TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2000

Station		Temperature				Precipitation
		Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches
		Max	Min			
NW	Chadron	67	18	43	—	1.09
	Scottsbluff	63	18	42	-1	.83
	Sidney	64	21	42	—	.20
NC	Valentine	71	20	46	+5	.81
NE	Norfolk	71	30	52	+8	1.12
	Sioux City	70	32	53	+9	1.49
	Grand Island	71	27	51	+6	1.14
CEN	Ord	71	25	49	—	1.82
	Lincoln	77	29	55	+9	.69
	Omaha	75	33	55	+9	.94
SW	Imperial	69	27	46	—	.14
	North Platte	70	20	45	+3	.68

Source: National Weather Service Forecast Office, Valley, NE